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Dear Clayton,

Jerry gave me your note. We both appreciate it. But perhaps first I'd better explain that I know nothing about computers and as you can see, have problems with this old typewriter. When I correct those of the many errors I do not miss I have the copy on a clipboard in my left hand and with that in the air, write with the right hand. And with close to illegible writing to begin with. So, the copy is dirty. I keep a xerox so I can answer questions about it.

What I've been writing has been intended as a record for history. We have been duplicating the computer disks and sending the duplicates to friends who work in the field, a couple of sociologists, another historian, a lawyer and a couple of others, with no permissions sought because I have to assume I do not have that much time left. The work is for research of others, for their use in their work, and as a record to be with all else at Hood for scholars of the future.

There are hasty manuscripts and an occasional epilogue as new information becomes available.

By now the volume is considerable but most has been retyped.

The computer program used means nothing to me as long as it is readily converted. I have one book-length manuscript done on some farout program and in a year I've not been able to get it switched to something others can use.

The situation at Hood makes getting help there undependable. They are overloaded in this area so I have to send a disk that can be printed out. If this is not enough of an explanation please let me know.

If there is something along this line that can work out what I have in mind to get done first is an epilogue to a book-length manuscript Jerry has and for which he has some use. Other than that a few book-length manuscripts. When I read and correct the foreword I'll have the second ms. of the past month in rough draft. The earlier one is shorter.

I keep convoluted hours. I was up that night at Hood later than since the previous seminar. I'm usually abed by six and sometimes earlier because I can't help getting up early and the hours of the early morning are my most productive ones. Mondays, Wednesdays and Froday's I have blood ~~xxx~~ tests from which other than Wednesday, when an added test usually delays me, by not much after 8 our time.

Thanks very much and please let me know what you have in mind.

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg